

FRIDAY, March 20th, 1874.

The House met, and was opened with prayer by the Rev. Father Oberly.

Present at the call of the roll, the following members:

Messrs. Hines, (Speaker,) Colton, Merritt, Henkle, Robinson, Nutwell, Bird, Turner, of Calvert, Lancaster, Hawkins, Keech, Buchanan, Matthews, Merryman, Turner, of Baltimore county, Seth, Valliant, Sudler, Duer, Gordy, Johnson, Hodson, Turner, of Cecil, Mackey, Davis, Etchison, Latchford, Bobey, Thompson, Pruitt, Miller, Lamar, Nicodemus, Annan, Lee, Dawson, Williams, McCosker, T. H. Hamilton, C. R. Hamilton, McWilliams, Foster, Staylor, Stewart, of Baltimore city, McAleese, Gill, Hart, Loane, Greenfield, McColgan, Harig, Joyce, Groh, Fenton, Berry, Grimes, Stake, Watkins, Wier, Park, Brace, Waters, Vanderford, Galt, Brown, Bedsworth—66.

The Speaker laid before the House a communication from Joseph Parrish, M. D., containing an invitation to the members of the House of Delegates to attend a meeting to be held on Sunday next, in behalf of the Maryland Inebriate Asylum, at Ford's Grand Opera House, Baltimore.

Which was read, and,

On motion of Mr. Turner, of Baltimore county,

The invitation was accepted.

Mr. Waters presented the petition of J. D. Scott, in reference to the Dog Law.

Which was read and referred to the Committee on Agriculture.

Mr. Thompson presented the memorial of A. W. Thompson and forty-two other citizens and fruit-growers of Queen Anne's county, in favor of a Wholesale Produce Exchange or Market in Baltimore City.

Which was read, and,

On motion of Freaner,

Referred to the Committee on Ways and Means.

Mr. Keech presented the memorial of Augustus H. Metz, asking that land of his, adjoining Spring Grove Asylum and injured by that Institution, may be purchased for the use of that Institution.

Which was read, and,